

§ 14-309.35. Registration, possession, and transportation of gaming equipment.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 14-295 or G.S. 14-297, it shall be lawful to possess or transport gaming tables and other gaming equipment, if the possession or transportation is solely for use in game night events conducted pursuant to this Part. Gaming tables and other gaming equipment possessed or transported pursuant to this Part shall not be subject to seizure pursuant to G.S. 14-298 if they have been registered pursuant to the provisions of this Article and are used solely in game night events conducted pursuant to this Part.

(b) A gaming table or other gaming equipment possessed or transported for use in a game night event must be registered with the Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch [Division] of the Department of Public Safety and must have a sticker affixed with a unique number. A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) shall be charged for each sticker and each sticker shall be renewed annually. The sticker fees assessed under this section are payable to the Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch [Division] of the Department of Public Safety and shall be collected and used by the Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch [Division] to defray the costs of registering the gaming tables and gaming equipment. The Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch [Division] may inspect, without prior notice, any gaming table or other gaming equipment used in a game night event at any time immediately prior to or during the game night event. Use of a gaming table or gaming equipment in a game night event that does not comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor. (2019-13, s. 2.)